

Decision Record – Approval for Increasing Fees and Charges in Country Parks

Lead Member	Portfolio Holder for Environment and Heritage & Culture
Date of decision	21 February 2020
	Signed 

Decision taken

That the Portfolio Holder for Environment and Heritage & Culture approves the increases in fees and charges as set out in the report and appendices.

Reasons for decisions

It is a requirement of the County Council's Constitution that Portfolio Holders approve increases to fees and charges on behalf of the County Council.

This report seeks such approval in relation to the increases in fees and charges relating to Country Parks for 2020/21.

Background information

Please see Appendices 1 and 2 which detail the proposed fees and charges for 2020/21 in relation to the Country Parks service. Appendix 1 includes a discussion of the rationale applied in making these proposals.

Financial implications

In determining the proposals for fee and charge increases, consideration has been given both to the impact of price inflation (taken to be 2%) on our running costs and to the impact, including practicality and affordability, of price rises on our customers and communities. These figures will be used in budget forecasts for 2020/21 if approved.

Environmental implications

There are no implications from the proposals.

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Lead Member	Portfolio Holder for Environment and Heritage & Culture

Urgent matter?	No
Confidential or exempt?	No
Is the decision contrary to the budget and policy framework?	No

Lists of reports considered

List of background papers

Appendix 1 – rationale for Country Parks fees and charges increases in 2020/21
Appendix 2 – full Country Parks fees and charges 2020/21

Members and officers consulted and informed

Portfolio Holder – Councillor Heather Timms

Corporate Board – n/a

Legal – Ian Marriott

Finance – Virginia

Equality – Keira Rounsley

Democratic Services – Paul Williams

Councillor – Heather Timms

Local Member(s): N/A